

**ABBREVIATED MLA STYLE OF CITING SOURCES  
FOR ELEMENTARY STUDENTS**

**Works Cited/ Bibliography**

Citations should be put in alphabetical order according to the first word, except if the first word is a title beginning with “A, AN, or THE.” If this is the case, then the second word of the title should be used. This only happens if there is no author given.

The first line of a citation is out to the left margin. If the citation runs longer than one line, then the next line or lines is/are indented.

Leave one space between citations.

**2<sup>nd</sup> SEMESTER THIRD GRADERS, FOURTH AND FIFTH GRADERS**

**BOOK**

Author’s last name, author’s first name (and middle initial if given). Title of book.  
Place of publication: Publisher, publication or copyright date.

**EXAMPLE:**

Cole, Joanna. Hungry, Hungry Sharks. New York: Random House, 1986.

**ENCYCLOPEDIA**

Author’s last name, author’s first name. “Title of encyclopedia article.” Name of Encyclopedia. Publication or copyright date.

**EXAMPLE:**

Gait, Robert. “Gems.” The World Book Encyclopedia. 1998.

**MAGAZINE OR NEWSPAPER ARTICLE**

Author’s last name, author’s first name. “Title of article.” Name of magazine or newspaper. Date (day month year).

**EXAMPLE:**

**Patent, Dorothy Hinshaw. "Bears." Spider. August 1995.**

## **INTERNET**

### **TEXT**

**Site title. Date accessed. <Web address>.**

#### **EXAMPLE:**

**Dinosauria On-line. 9 September 2003. <<http://www.dinosauria.com>>.**

### **GRAPHIC**

**"Name of graphic." Type of graphic. Date accessed. <Web address>.**

#### **EXAMPLE:**

**"American flag." Photograph. 23 April 2002.  
<<http://images.google.com/images?q=american+flag&ie=ISO-8859-1&hl=en>>.**

### **DATABASE**

**Author's last name, author's first name. "Title of article." Name of newspaper, magazine, or encyclopedia. Name of database. Date accessed. <Web address>.**

#### **EXAMPLE:**

**Doyle, Bill. "This Croc Rocks." Time for Kids. SIRS Discoverer on the Web. 3 March 2002. <<http://discoverer17.sirs.com/cgi-bin/dis-article-display?id=0000IN1038-D10872MI&searchkey=&artno=146578>>.**